"The South 40"
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Soils cropped for corn silage need to be fertilized with higher amounts of potash than corn for grain. A high proportion of the potash in the corn plant is in the stalk, therefore, when the entire plant is harvested there is less potash returned to the soil.

When only grain is harvested and the stalk is left, potash is released as the stalk decays.

For this reason we recommend that the amount of potash be doubled when corn is grown for silage.

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You can add to the attractiveness of the home by preparing foliage for arrangements during the winter months.

The procedure is simple - just stand the stems or leaves in a mixture of one part glycerin and two parts water. Do it now while plants are actively growing for rapid absorption.

Place in an area where there is good air circulation. Wipe the leaves occasionally with a cloth with the solution. This will help prevent drying before the glycerin reaches the edge of the leaves.

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Appomattox cattlemen are in position to significantly increase their income.

Most cattlemen are allocating 3 to 4 acres per cow. This cannot continue of they are to stay in the black. There's room for change in the cropping system. As much as we may like to have it, there's no one system for every cattlemen. The system will depend upon the kind of soil and the way it lays, the production system of cattle that he has selected, labor supply, and available equipment and storage facilities.

What is a reasonable goal for a cow-calf producer? With the know-how that's now at his disposal two acres per cow and her calf should be adequate.

Now, we can't accomplish this new grazing program "overnight" on most farms. We certainly can't do it with bluegrass - we are east of the bluegrass belt for optimum production.

If cattlemen are going to achieve better utilization of grazing land it will be adjusted over a period of 3 to 4 years.

We need to plan for each cow 1 acre fescue, 1/2 acre orchardgrass and 1/2 acre midland bermuda.

There are two plantings of midland bermuda in the county that are doing real good. They provide summer grazing from mid June until late September.

A normal consideration is 100 bales of hay per cow for winter feed. Experience has shown that 1 acre of stockpiled fescue will carry a cow for 120 days. For insurance you'll need 25 to 30 bales of hay per cow for snow feeding or summer draught.

Now is the time to clip fescue pastures to a 3 to 4 inch height and fertilize with 75 to 100 pounds of N. **Remember:** if you need P, K or lime now is also a good time to apply it.

Take a soil test for a guide, and lets sit down and talk about a new grazing program for your farm.

PRECIPITATION

Last Week	.04
Normal for July	2.94
Normal for July	4.56
This Year	27.17
Nor. for this Year	24.07

Canaan Revival

A Homecoming Service on August 12, 1973. Morning Service - 11:30 a.m. Rev. C. L. Elliott, Pastor in charge with music by Mr. James Braxton and the Mt. Olive Chorus from Madison Heights, Va. at 3 p.m. The Rev. Henry W. Pryor and one of his choirs will be guest for the evening service. Beginning Monday at 7:30 revival begins Aug. 13th - 17th with Rev.H. E. Spears will be the speaker for the week. A different choir will sing each night. Monday, The Canaan Echoes; Tuesday, Canaan Senior; Wednesday, Mt. Airy Senior Choir; Thursday, Canaan Junior Choir; Friday, Jordan Senior Choir. Please come and worship with us. Prayer service- Aug. 8th - 7:30 p.m.

He who talks too much commits a sin.

-The Talmud.

Midland Bermuda is choice grazing in summer months. ft forms part of the 1-.5-.5 grazing program - one acre fescue - half acre orchard grass - half acre midland bermuda per beef cow and calf that is being stressed for Appomatox cattlemen.

This picture was taken in mid-July and the grass was just over knee high.

Midland performs best under good fertilization management.

Homemaker Hints

by Rebecca M. Johnson, Extension Agent

President Nixon proclaimed July 25-31 as National Farm Safety Week. This was the 30th consecutive observance of the annual National Farm Safety Week which was initiated in 1944 to attack accident losses during the war years.

This year, the theme of Farm Safety Week was Falls Hurt - Be Alert! Because falls are a leading cause of accidental death and injury to farm families, special emphasis have been given for their prevention.

Suggestions for farm safety also apply to home safety, so follow these given below:

Floors must be in good shape to prevent falls. Anchor floor coverings Skid-proof small rugs. Use non-slip floor polishes.

Arrange room furnishings, work areas, supplies, etc. to allow movement without stubbles. Keep passageways clear.

Ladders must be checked, maintained. Make sure ladder is stable. Don't climb on top rungs nor reach out too far. Watch your step.

Long clothing hanging loose and too low can trip you. Make sure yours fit properly, is right for activity, permits free movement.

Stairs are prime falls site. Keep them clear and repaired. Have strong hand rails. Watch your step, especially when carrying things.

Housekeeping helps prevent falls. Avoid clutter. Put away tools, toys, sweeper, etc., when finished. Provide ample storage places.

Understand, respect effects of illness, strong medicants, alcohol, etc., on ability to walk, carry things, climb, to see and avoid hazards.

Roof, tree or silo work calls for care and non-skid footwear. Use lifeline. Avoid high work when ill, on windy or stormy days.

Trash, litter, junk, etc., are trippers, also eyesores and fire feeders. Clear it away. Remove stumps, rocks, etc., if in pathways.

Bathtubs, showers should have non-slip surface or rubber mat, (or treated with safety strips) and grab bars. Be careful getting in and out.

Emotions like anger, frustration, worry, etc., distract you, make you less alert. Avoid hurry. Always watch your step.

Age is big factor in falls. Elderly often suffer severe or fatal falls...small kids, too. Make your place fall-proof as possible.

Lighting lets you see where you're going. Provide plenty in stairways, halls, basement, entrances, porches, shop, buildings, etc.

Electric cords, extensions, etc., could trip someone, especially a child or oldster. Keep them out of people's path.

Riding on farm machinery is unsafe. Keep kids off and away. Stay seated when operating. Clean off shoes. Mount, dismount with care.

Traction is best when you keep steps, floors, walks, etc., free of ice, mud, grease, etc. Use non-skid footwear and watch your step.

The less we think the more we talk; thus women talk more than men.

-Montesquieu.

St. Luke

The Baptist Cornerstone Sunday School Union that met with the St. Douglas Church School Sun. July 29, 1973 was a success. Rev. T. M. Venerable President was officiating. Rev. G. N. Marshall gave the message for the day. The offering was good. The ladies of the church served quite an appetizing lunch.

The annual home coming will be observed at the St. Luke Baptist Church, Sun. Aug. 5, 1973. Rev. J. A. McLaughlin will be in charge of the a.m. services. Rev. E. McLaughlin will be in charge of the p.m. program. Taylor and the Freewill Singers from Washington, D. C. will give the song services. Also Rev. E. McLaughlin will be the Evangelist for the week.

Mrs. Teressa Baker of Philadelphia was guest for the weekend in the home of her aunt Mrs. Grace Walker Sun. August 29, 1973.

Also Mr. C. J. Walker and his wife Mrs. Barbara and their sons, Stephen and Charles visited his mother, Mrs. Grace Walker Sat. July 28, 1973. They are from Texas.

He that talketh what he knoweth will also talk what he knoweth not.

PAMPLIN

Mr. and Mrs. rtarry Davis have announced the birth of a daughter, born July 23, at St. Mary's Hospital in Richmond.

Mrs. Robert Burns of Littown, Pa. visited his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. DeFord in Madisonville.

Mrs. Clinton Childress of Darlington Heights is a patient at Virginia Baptist Hospital, Lynchburg.

Mrs. Nancy T. Williams and son Emmette of Richmond returned home Tuesday after spending a long weekend with relatives. Mrs. Williams visited Miss Flora Belle Williams and Mrs. Jane Wingfield in Lynchburg.

Mrs. Margaret Sands and son Rob of Coca Beach, Fla., are visiting Mrs. Sand's father, Mr. Herman Katorsky and Mrs. Katorsky in Prospect.

Mr. and Mrs. David Savitz of Columbia, S. C. returned home Sunday after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Williams.

We are happy to report that Mrs. Malcolm Inge and Mrs. Jim Inge have returned to their home from Virginia Baptist Hospital and Richmond Hospital.

Mrs. Annie C. Smith, Mrs. Clarence Welch, Cliff Welch, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lucado and Mrs. Ralph Inge, Emily Williams, Mr. Ra Williams, Jr., Mr. and Russell Covington and ter, Jane, Mr. and Mrs. Rosser, Mr. and Mrs. Farrar and daughters, Sally and Elizabeth, Mo Canada, Miss Merle Davis, Woodrow Williams and ter, Pam and Mr. and David Savitz attended wedding of Miss Mary Kinzer and Mr. Malcolm last Saturday at Bridgew Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dudle son Bill, of Blacksburg v Mr. Dudley's parents, Mr Mrs. W. C. Dudley weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Chal Bak Fairfax were guest of Mr Mrs. B. C. Massey last and also visited Mr. and Frank Irving.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell N of Danville spent last week with relatives.

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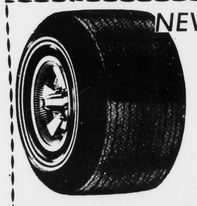

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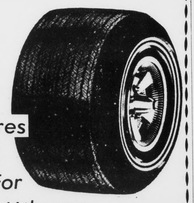

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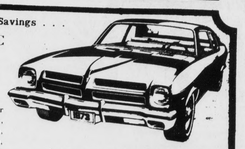

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